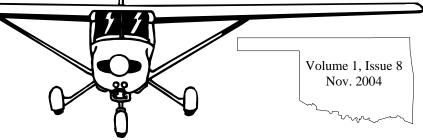
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COMMENTS FROM THE COMMANDER

Col. Virginia Keller

UPCOMING EVENTS

November	
1-5	Inland SAR
6-7	CLC Norman
5-7	Mission Scanner Training, Enid
11	Veteran's Day
25	Thanksgiving
19-21	SAREX Altus
December	
1	CAP 63rd Anniversary
4	Cadet Conference Tinker AFB
10-12	Mission Observer Training, Enid
18	Cadet Competition
18	TTT Course Tinker
January	
8	Herkert/Lyon Wedding
22	IC Tabletop Exer.

The "Thankful" time of year is here again. Actually, as Americans we should be giving thanks all year long. We are so very lucky to have born in this country and have the opportunities, a lot of us take for granted every day. I try not to. If you know a veteran you need to take time to give him/her a special thank you.

I am so thankful for all of you who are participating in CAP to make Oklahoma Wing the outstanding wing it is.

Congratulations to our two aircrews who did such a terrific job at Amarillo at the Southwest Region air crew competition. They brought home the traveling trophy which we will keep until the next air-crew competition.

There are many training opportunities scheduled in the future, please try to take advantage of as many as you have time for, (and I do realize this is a busy time for everyone.) Be sure and check the calendar so you don't miss something you need or really want to do. A lot of people are putting in a lot of time to offer the best training possible.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

VIRGINIA KELLER, Col, CAP Oklahoma Wing Commander



TAPS

We have just received word that Don Terrill has passed away. He was an outstanding CAP member who served on the Wing Staff as a Standard Eval Officer for many years.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.





OKLAHOMA WINS SOUTHWEST REGION AIRCREW COMPETITION

Info submitted in part by Joseph Macklin Jr, Lt Col, USAF Director-Operations, CAP-USAF SWLR

Congratulations to all who competed in the 2004 SWR Aircrew Competition in Amarillo, Texas on October 15-16, 2004. The weather was excellent and there was a great turnout with 30 crew members from five wings.

Oklahoma Wing is extremely proud of the aircrews that represented us and earned the Oklahoma Wing the privilege to proudly display the winner's trophy for one more year! The results for OK Wing are as follows:

Overall Winner OK Lt Col Bob Castle (Pilot)

Lt Col Joe Smith (Observer)
1Lt Dorsey Martin (Scanner)
1Lt Jodie Gilbert (Pilot)
1Lt Paul Bryant (Observer)
1Lt Bill Wierda (Scanner)

Spot/Timed Landing OK 1Lt Jodie Gilbert (Pilot)

1Lt Paul Bryant (Observer)1Lt Bill Wierda (Scanner)

Aircraft Appearance OK 1Lt Jodie Gilbert (Pilot)

1Lt Paul Bryant (Observer) 1Lt Bill Wierda (Scanner)

Pilot Exam OK Lt Col Bob Castle (Pilot)

SAR ELT OK Lt Col Bob Castle (Pilot)

Lt Col Joe Smith (Observer)
1Lt Dorsey Martin (Scanner)





CIVIL AIR PATROL & FAA JOIN FORCES IN AEROSPACE EDUCATION

Excerpts from Press Release 10/27/04 Melanie LeMay CAP National Headquarters

MAXWELL AFB, Ala. — Civil Air Patrol and the Federal Aviation Administration have signed a new agreement to collaborate on aerospace education.

Officials of the two groups signed a memorandum of understanding on Oct. 12. 2004 at FAA headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Both CAP and FAA have national support programs for aerospace education teachers. As part of the new agreement, CAP will support FAA workshops and make its aerospace instructional materials available to teachers in the FAA Aviation Education Outreach Program. The groups will also collaborate on distributing

infomation to educators in their respective newsletters and on their web sites.

As part of the agreement, CAP will promote FAA's education programs during the 2006 National Conference on Aviation and Space Education, an annual event which CAP has hosted for decades. The 2006 conference, scheduled Oct. 6-8 in Washington, D.C., will showcase a variety of aviation and space leaders and allow them to share information with teachers from throughout the nation.

For more information on CAP, go to www.cap.gov. For information on FAA, go to www.faa.gov.





Congratulations Major Kelly Wardlaw for winning the Southwest Region Frank G. Brewer Memorial Aerospace Award

CADET CONFERENCE

Cadet Conference will be held December 4th at Tinker AFB. There are various enjoyable seminars being planned including Drill, Air Force History, Problem Solving, Goal Setting, Core Values, Public Speaking, Counseling, Your Future in CAP and much, much more!!

At the end of the evening, enjoy one of the best Dining-Outs in CAP! With a Surprise Guest Speaker, Awards Ceremony, Cadet activities slide show, and Dance. Friends and Parents are encouraged to attend the Dining-Out. Cost for the Conference and Dining-Out (includes breakfast, lunch and dinner) is \$20.00. RSVP must be postmarked by 23 November. No late or hand carried applications will be accepted without prior coordination.

For more information contact: 1Lt Sean Thompson at 405-209-9299 fccsmonkey @cox.net or Capt Jon Fox at 405-323-2409 jfox157 @msn.com

IT IS THE SOLDIER

It is the SOLDIER, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press.

It is the SOLDIER, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the SOLDIER, not the campus organizer, who has given us freedom to assemble.

It is the SOLDIER, not the preacher, who has given us freedom of religion.

It is the SOLDIER, not the lawyer, who has given us the right to a fair trial.

It is the SOLDIER, not the politician, who has given us the right to vote.

It is the SOLDIER who salutes the flag, who serves under the flag, and whose coffin is draped by the flag, who allows the protester to burn the flag.

Thank a Soldier!



Veteran's Day November 11th



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Comments or articles can be submitted to the attention of OK WINGSPAN at OkHorseFly@aol.com.

